## Nogi, Jill

From: Nogi, Jill

Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 1:52 PM
To: Dale Bambrick - NOAA Federal
Cc: 'Scott Anderson - NOAA Federal'

Subject: FW: USFWS Concurrence Letter on the ESA Determinations regarding NPDES Permit

WA0001902, Leavenworth Fish Hatchery

Attachments: 111416 USFWS Concurrence Letter ESA consultation.pdf

## Hi Dale,

Earlier this week, the EPA received a letter of concurrence from the USFWS Wenatchee Office regarding our determination that the NPDES permitting of the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect, listed species in the Action Area. I am sharing the letter with you in case it is helpful to you as you review the information that we provided regarding the proposed permitting action. I believe that I previously shared the recent letter from NOAA concurring with the EPA's determinations related to the Biological Evaluation of the General Permit for Federal Aquaculture Facilities and Aquaculture Facilities Located in Indian Country within the Boundaries of the State of Washington. If it would be helpful to set up a time to talk about the Draft Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery NPDES Permit, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Thanks, Jill

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**From:** Krupka, Jeff [mailto:jeff\_krupka@fws.gov] **Sent:** Thursday, November 17, 2016 11:12 AM

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Subject: Re: FW: NPDES Permit WA0001902, Leavenworth Fish Hatchery

Hi Jill. My mistake, I was trying to get this to you quickly. However, blending discharge limitations and monitoring requirements does not change how we view the effects of the proposed action. I understand this is a draft, and changes may occur. But unless these changes are quite significant, I would not expect re-initiation of consultation to be necessary. I would still expect a combination of positive and negative effects that would be insignificant to the bull trout and its critical habitat.

Thanks, jk

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On Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 10:56 AM, Nogi, Jill < nogi.jill@epa.gov > wrote:

Thank you for your prompt response to our request for informal ESA consultation on the NPDES Permit for the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery, Permit No WA0001902. I am writing today in regards to the first full paragraph on page 2 of the letter of concurrence attached. The paragraph reads as follows:

Discharge limitations have been established for flow, settleable solids, total suspended solids, temperature, total residual chlorine, total phosphorus, total ammonia, dissolved oxygen, pH, and turbidity. Discharge limitations may vary throughout the year for certain parameters. Monitoring requirements also vary by parameter and the monitoring frequency and method are specified. For a more detailed description of the proposed action, please see the Project BA.

I want to clarify for you that discharge limitations have been <u>proposed</u> in the Draft Permit for narrative criteria, settleable solids, total suspended solids, pH, temperature, and total phosphorus. There is an additional effluent limitation proposed for dissolved oxygen on Outfall 002. Monitoring requirements only (no effluent limitations) have been proposed for flow, total residual chlorine, total ammonia, dissolved oxygen at Outfall 001, pH at Outfall 002, and turbidity. Therefore, not all of the parameters listed in the first full paragraph on page 2 of the letter of concurrence are proposed to be limited in the discharge. As this is a Draft Permit that will be released for public review and comment, there may be changes made to limitations and monitoring requirements before a final Permit is issued to the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery.

Thank you again for your letter of concurrence. We greatly appreciate having received your response to our request. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions or comments related to this clarification.

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Greetings,

Attached is your copy of USFWS informal consultation regarding the NPDES Permit WA0001902, Leavenworth Fish Hatchery (207-1-0116). If you have any questions or comments, please contact Jeff Krupka at the Central Washington Field Office in Wenatchee at (509) 665-3508, extension 2008, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:jeff\_krupka@fws.gov">jeff\_krupka@fws.gov</a>.

Thank you,

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